

2171 <sup>44</sup>  
5-31-2

Technology Center 2100

## RECEIVED

A circular stamp from the OIPE Patent &amp; Trademark Office. The text "OIPE" is at the top, "PATENT &amp; TRADEMARK OFFICE" is around the bottom, and "APR 29 2002" is in the center.

§ 87(2)(b)

MAY 02 2002

## Technology Center 2100

For: **IBIST INTERCONNECT AND  
BRIDGE FAULT DETECTION  
SCHEME**

**Rory D. Rankin**  
**Registered Representative**

Signature \_\_\_\_\_

RECEIVED

MAY 29 2002

Technology Center 2600

1. This Information Disclosure Statement is submitted:

- a. ☐ within 3 months of the filing date of a national application other than a continued prosecution application under § 1.53(d);
- ☐ within 3 months of the date of entry of the national stage as set forth in § 1.491 in an International application;
- ☒ before the mailing date of a first Office Action on the merits; or
- ☐ before the mailing of a first Office Action after the filing of a request for continued examination under § 1.114.
- b. ☐ after the events of above paragraph 1a and prior to the mailing date of a final Office Action or Notice of Allowance, and thus: ☐ the certification of paragraph 2 below is provided, or ☐ a fee of \$180.00 is enclosed.

- c. ☐ after the mailing date of a final Office Action or a Notice of Allowance and prior to payment of the issue fee, and thus: the certification of paragraph 2 below is provided and a fee of \$180.00 is enclosed.

2. It is hereby certified:

- ☐ that each item of information contained in this Information Disclosure Statement was cited in a communication from a foreign patent office in a counterpart foreign application not more than three months prior to the filing of the Statement, or
- ☐ that no item of information contained in the Information Disclosure Statement was cited in a communication from a foreign patent office in a counterpart foreign application or, to the knowledge of the person signing the certification after making reasonable inquiry, was known to any individual designated in § 1.56 (c) more than three months prior to the filing of the Statement.

3. ☐ Consideration of the following additional information (including any co-pending or abandoned U.S. applications, prior uses and/or sales, etc.) is requested:

4. For each non-English language reference listed on the attached Form PTO-1449:

- ☐ reference is made to an English language translation submitted herewith, and/or
- ☐ reference is made to a foreign patent office search report (in the English language) submitted herewith, and/or
- ☐ reference is made to an English language translation of a foreign patent office search report submitted herewith, and/or
- ☐ reference is made to the concise explanation contained in the specification of the present application at page(s) \_\_\_\_\_, and/or
- ☐ reference is made to the concise explanation set forth below:

5. ☐ Applicant also offers the following comments for the Examiner's consideration:


6. ☐ Also enclosed is a copy of a foreign search report citing these references.

7. ☐ The listed documents were brought to the attention of the Applicant(s) after payment of the issue fee in the captioned case. The documents were cited in a communication from a foreign patent office in a counterpart foreign application not more than three months prior to the filing of this Information Disclosure Statement. Applicant(s) request this Information Disclosure Statement and attached Form PTO-1449 be placed in the file of the captioned application.

8. ☐ Applicant(s) requests that the Information Disclosure Statement and attached Form PTO-1449 and references, which are being filed before the grant of the patent and pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.97(i), be placed in the file of the captioned application.

If any required fees are missing, the Commissioner is authorized to charge said fees to Conley, Rose & Tayon, P.C. Deposit Account No. 50-1505/5181-91800/RDR.

Respectfully submitted,

  
Rory D. Rankin  
Reg. No. 47,884  
Attorney for Applicant(s)

CONLEY, ROSE & TAYON, P.C.  
P. O. Box 398  
Austin, Texas 78767  
(512) 476-1400  
Date: 4/25/02

APR 29 2002  
PATENT & TRADEMARK OFFICE

Page 1 of 1

**Form PTO-1449** (modified)  
**List of Patents and Publications**  
**For Applicant's Information**  
**Disclosure Statement**  
 (Use several sheets if necessary)

ATTY. DKT. NO. 5181-91800

**APPLICANT:** Brian L. Smith

**FILING DATE:** December 3, 2001

SERIAL NO. 10/005,263

GROUP: 2171

## U.S. PATENT DOCUMENTS

[illegible]

## FOREIGN PATENT DOCUMENTS

EXAM. INITIALS	REF. DES.	DOCUMENT NUMBER	DATE	COUNTRY	CLASS	SUB CLASS	TRANSLATION YES/NO

**OTHER ART** (Including Author, Title, Date, Pertinent Pages, Etc.)


**EXAMINER:**

DATE CONSIDERED:

**EXAMINER:** Initial if citation considered, whether or not citation is in conformance with MPEP 609; Draw line through citation if not in conformance and not considered. Include copy of this form with next communication to the patent owner.

Information Disclosure Statement--PTO 1449 (modified)